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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §41.37

Sir

This paper is being filed in response to a Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §41.37 dated September 23, 2008 in the above-identified application, a response to which is due October 23, 2008.

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REMARKS

Appellants have been notified that the Appeal Brief filed on September 10, 2008 fails to comply with 37 C.F.R. §41.37. More specifically, the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief indicates that the Appeal Brief did not contain a statement of the status of all claims filed in the application. In particular, the Appeal Brief did not indicate that claims 1, 5-10, 17-20 and 25-26 have been cancelled and that claims 4, 11-16 and 23 are presently withdrawn and not on appeal.

In response to this Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, Appellants submit herewith an amended Appeal Brief, which contains a statement of the status of all claims filed in the application. Entry of this Appeal Brief is respectfully requested.

It is submitted that no additional fee is occasioned by this response. However, if any fees are required in connection with this Appeal, please charge any such additional fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

Respectfully submitted,

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